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SUBJECT: CIEC DRAFT INTERIM REPORT TO UNGA

1. ON OCTOBER 11 CANADIANS CIRCULATED TO G-8 OECD MISSIONS THE TEXT OF A DRAFT INTERIM REPORT OF THE CIEC TO THE UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY. THIS TEXT HAS BEEH NEGOTIATED BETWEEN CANADIANS AND VENEZUELAN DELS AND HAS BEEN APPROVED BY BOTH COHFERENCE CO-CHAIRMEN.

2. CANADIAN COVER LETTER OBSERVES THAT MOST OF THE TEXT HAS BEEN DRAWN FROM WORDING ALREADY AGREED BY THE CONFERENCE AT VARIOUS STAGES. THE LENGTH OF THE TEXT WAS A COMPROMISE BETWEEN THE CANADIANS WHO WANTED A SHORTER TEXT AHD PEREZ GUERRERO WHO SOUGHT A LONGER ONE.

3. CANADIANS REQUEST COMMENTS, IF ANY, BY C.O.B.

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ABLE. VENEZUELANAS ARE HOT PLANNING TO SEEK G-19 CONCURRENCE ON THIS TEXT. CANADIANS EXPLAINED THAT SHORT DEADLINE IS BASED ON FACT THAT CIEC WILL BE DISCUSSED VERY SOON IN UNGA 2ND COMMITTEE. TEXT IS TO BE FORWARDED BY CIEC EXECUTIVE SECRETARY GUITTOH TO UN SECRETARIAT.

4. BEGIN TEXT.

INTERIM REPORT TO THE 31ST SESSION OF THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON THE WORK OF THE CONFERENCE ON INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION.

1. THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN PARAGRAPH 2 OF ITS RESOLUTION 3515(XXX) INVITES THE CIEC TO REPORT TO IT IN ITS 31ST SESSION ON THE CONCLUSIONS OF THE CONFERENCE. THE FINAL COMMUNIQUE OF THE MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE OF 19 DECEMBER 1975 TAKES ACCOUNT OF THIS INVITATION AND POINTS OUT, IN PARAGRAPH 14, THAT THE CONFERENCE TOOK NOTE OF THIS RESOLUTION AND "AGREED TO MAKE REPORTS AVAILABLE TO THE 31ST SESSION OF THE U.N. GENERAL ASSEMBLY". SINCE THIS SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY WILL HAVE FINISHED ITS WORK BEFORE THE MEETING OF THE CONFERENCE AT MINISTERIAL LEVEL IN DECEMBER 1976, THIS INTERIM REPORT IS INTENDED TO INFORM THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE ACTIVITIES OF THE CONFERENCE AS OF MID-SEPTEMBER 1976.

2. THE CONFERENCE MET AT MINISTERIAL LEVEL FROM DECEMBER 16 TO DECEMBER 19, 1975. THE FINAL COMMUNIQUE OF THIS MEETING ALONG WITH RELATED DOCUMENTS ARE ATTACHED AS ANNEX I.

3. THE CO-CHAIRMEN OF THE CONFERENCE AND OF THE COMMISSIONS MET JANUARY 26 AND 27, 1976 TO REVIEW PREPARATION FOR THE WORK OF THE FOUR COMMISSIONS AFTER CONSULTATION WITH OTHER PARTICIPANTS IN THE CONFERENCE. AT THIS MEETING THEY EXCHANGED VIEWS ON THE ORGANIZATION OF THE WORK OF THE COMMISSIONS, THE PARTICIPATION OF OBSERVERS AND THE TIMING OF COMMISSION MEETINGS. THE MEETING TOOK NOTE OF A LIST OF SUBJECTS PREPARED BY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THE GROUP OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, OF WHICH THE APPROPRIATE SECTIONS WERE TO BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE RELEVANT COMMISSIONS WHEN THEY MET, AND IT WAS UNDERSTOOD THAT THE CO-CHAIRMEN OF THE CONFERENCE WOULD BE INFORMED OF ANY OTHER LISTS OF SUBJECTS OR SUGGESTIONS SUBMITTED BY MEMBERS OF THE CONFERENCE INDIVIDUALLY OR IN GROUPS.

4. THE MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE, IN PARAGRAPH 9 OF THE FINAL COMMUNIQUE, INVITED SPECIFIC INTERGOVERNMENTAL FUNCTIONAL ORGANIZATIONS WHICH ARE DIRECTLY CONCERNED WITH THE PROBLEMS TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE CIEC TO BE REPRESENTED ON A PERMANENT BASIS IN THE RELEVANT COMMISSIONS. IT WAS ALSO DECIDED THAT COMMISSIONS COULD ON THEIR OWN INITIATIVE INVITE INTERGOVERNMENTAL FUNCTIONAL ORGANIZATIONS WHICH ARE COMPETENT IN THE SUBJECT UNDER DISCUSSION TO PARTICIPATE AS OBSERVERS AD HOC IN THE EXAMINATION OF SPECIFIC QUESTIONS. A

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LIST OF INTER-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS ACCREDITED TO THE CIEC AS PERMANENT OBSERVERS OR AS AD HOC OBSERVERS IS ATTACHED AS ANNEX II.

5. DURING THE FIRST HALF OF 1976 THE FOUR COMMISSIONS HELD, SIMULTANEOUSLY, FOUR SESSIONS: FEBRUARY 11-20, MARCH 17-27, APRIL 21-28, JUNE 8-15. EACH COMMISSION WAS FREE TO ESTABLISH ITS OWN WORK PROGRAMME. DURING THIS INITIAL PHASE OF WORK, ANALYTICAL DISCUSSIONS WERE HELD ON A WIDE RANGE OF INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC PROBLEMS OF CONCERN TO BOTH DEVELOPING AND INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRIES. WHILE THERE WAS SOME RECOGNITION THAT THE ANALYTICAL WORK HAD CONTRIBUTED TO A GREATER UNDERSTANDING OF THE PROBLEMS UNDER CONSIDERATION AT THE CONFERENCE, SOME DISAPPOINTMENT WAS EXPRESSED AT THE LACK OF CONCRETE RESULTS DURING THE FIRST PHASE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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OF THE CONFERENCE. THE FRUITFUL COOPERATION PROVIDED TO THE DIFFERENT COMMISSIONS BY THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS WHO ARE OBSERVERS AT THE CIEC SHOULD BE STRESSED AT THIS POINT, AND IN PARTICULAR THOSE WHICH ARE PART OF OR ARE ASSOCIATED WITH THE UNITED NATIONS ORGANIZATION.

6. THE CO-CHAIRMEN OF THE CONFERENCE AND OF THE FOUR COMMISSIONS MET AGAIN ON JUNE 17 AND 18, 1976 TO REVIEW THE WORK OF THE CONFERENCE AND PAVE THE WAY FOR THE MEETING OF SENIOR OFFICIALS OF THE CIEC WHICH WAS HELD FROM JULY 8 TO 10, 1976.

7. AT THIS MEETING, THE SENIOR OFFICIALS AGREED THAT THE SECOND PHASE OF THE CONFERENCE WOULD BE ACTION ORIENTED. THEREFORE THE SENIOR OFFICIALS MEETING DIRECTED THE COMMISSIONS TO CONCENTRATE THEIR WORK ON FORMULATING CONCRETE PROPOSALS FOR ACTION TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE FOR ADOPTION WHICH WOULD CONSTITUTE A SIGNIFICANT ADVANCE IN INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION AND MAKE A SUBSTANTIAL CONTRIBUTION TO THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

8. THE SENIOR OFFICIALS AGREED THAT THE WORK OF THE SECOND PHASE OF THE CONFERENCE SHOULD LEAD TO PROPOSALS FOR AN EQUITABLE AND COMPREHENSIVE PROGRAM FOR INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION INCLUDING AGREEMENTS, DECISIONS, COMMITMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS TO BE SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL TO THE MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE.

9. THE SENIOR OFFICIALS REAFFIRMED THE POLITICAL WILL OF THEIR GOVERNMENTS TO ENSURE THE SUCCESS OF THE CONFERENCE. THE REPORT OF THE SENIOR OFFICIALS MEETING IS ATTACHED AS ANNEX III.

10. ALTHOUGH CONSIDERABLE PROGRESS WAS MADE DURING THE JULY SESSIONS OF THE COMMISSIONS, THE COMMISSIONS WERE UNABLE TO FINALIZE THEIR WORK PROGRAMS DURING THESE SESSIONS. FOLLOWING DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN THE TWO LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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CONFERENCE CO-CHAIRMEN AND CONSULTATIONS WITH THE CONFERENCE MEMBERS THE OUTSTANDING ISSUES RELATING TO THE PURCHASING POWER OF EXPORT EARNINGS AND TO THE DEBT PROBLEMS OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES WERE RESOLVED AND THE COMMISSIONS RESUMED THEIR SESSIONS ON SCHEDULE ON SEPTEMBER 14. TWO ADDITIONAL SESSIONS OF THE COMMISSIONS ARE PROVIDED FOR OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER. A COPY OF THE AGREED WORK PROGRAM IS ATTACHED AS ANNEX IV.

11. THE CONCLUDING MINISTERIAL MEETING OF THE CIEC WILL TAKE PLACE FROM 15 TO 17 DECEMBER. END TEXT.

5. WHILE MATERIAL TO BE SUBMITTED TO UNGA UNDER ANNEX I IS NOT SPECIFIED IN FOREGOING, CANADIANS INTEND TO INCLUDE THE FINAL COMMUNIQUE OF THE DECEMBER 1975 MINISTERIAL, THE FINAL DECLARATION OF PREPCON II, THE FRENCH AIDE MEMOIRE OF SEPTEMBER 15, EXTENDING INVITATIONS TO PREPCON II, A LIST OF DELEGATION HEADS TO THE DECEMBER MINISTERIAL AND CIEC RULES OF PROCEDURE.

6. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE PROVIDE COMMENTS BY C.O.B. (PARIS TIME) OCTOBER 13.
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